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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT: Possible Transfer of Functions to NRO or
Air Force - IDEALIST and Other

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. The following information relating to the possible transfer of selected functions from OSA to other offices is provided in accordance with your oral request. It is to be noted that all CIA/NRO materiel relating to funding and manpower requirements for FY 1972, with the exception of Headquarters staffing, has been provided to Director Program D for use in the preparation of Program D's replies to Options II and IV of the NRO instructions for the FY 1972 Program.
3. We are not in a position to determine precisely how many additional positions and how much additional funding would be required by the Air Force or the NRO to take over operation of the IDEALIST Program. In some cases, it is probable that they could assume certain functions, such as Finance, Communications, Aero-Medical and Security on a one-for-one basis. On the other hand, due to traditional differences in staffing, it is entirely possible that the Air Force or NRO would require additional numbers of personnel for certain functions. As an example, our technical representatives would probably be replaced with "Blue Suiters", very likely resulting in an overall increase in numbers of persons since their period of training is very long compared to their tenure as a first line technician. Since it cannot be

NRO and USAF review(s) completed.

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determined what the Air Force or the NRO would require, we are indicating below the numbers and types of personnel which we have assigned to each location and the approximate dollar requirements. In preparing the figures reflected in paragraphs 7 and 8 we have made several assumptions as follows:

a. OSA will be divested of all responsibility for operation

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b. The Air Force or the NRO would assume all responsibility for operations, maintenance, communications and physical security at Detachments "G" and "H", and for aircraft and material in storage.

c. The OSA IDEALIST elements at Headquarters would cease to exist in their present form. Logistical and funding support for any present OSA personnel designated to continue with the U-2 Program would be provided by the Air Force or NRO.

4. We have also furnished additional information based on the further assumption that peripheral services which originated with the IDEALIST Program, but which now support many other offices, would have no further reason for existing as a composite entity. It can therefore be assumed that all contracting and other support functions related to the IDEALIST or other Air Force programs would be segregated from other Agency support and assumed by the Air Force or the NRO.

5. Services which are now being provided by OSA,

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most of the Contract Management Division, a portion of the Security Staff and the Budget and Finance

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25X1 Division at Headquarters, part of [] and some of the activities at the [] In addition, funding and secretarial services provided for thirty-one DCAA auditors, and space for the DCAA Headquarters elements should be considered as provided primarily in behalf of other offices. Although these several functions can be identified as also supporting elements other than OSA, only in a few cases, such as an OSA communications employee assigned to an OSP contractor station, can a specific identification of a position to an office or activity be made. Estimates are therefore made in terms of man years required to furnish all of the support now rendered.

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7. Based on these assumptions, the manpower and fund requirements are identified as follows:

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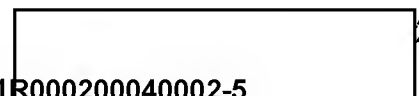
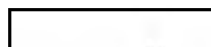


In addition to the manpower and funds identified above, the NRO or the Air Force would have responsibility for providing office space, telephones, staff communications and physical security in the Washington area. These services are in the budgets of other CIA offices and the costs are not readily available.

8. Peripheral services, which originated with the IDEALIST Program but which now support many other offices, both in and out of CIA, require a considerable number of people. Any reallocation of responsibility for maintaining these services will require slots and funding by the acquiring organization. Given below is a listing of these services:

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